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In re Application of H. Michael Wenz		RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER MAR 15 2006	
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For Methods for Detecting Target Nucleic Acids Using Coupled Ligation and Amplification			
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